GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:109
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PLAN BY BRAHMAPUTRA BOARD ON FLOOD CONTROL
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Brahmaputra Board has prepared a Master Plan for control of floods in Brahmaputra and for development of the river front and areas on its banks;

(b) if so, the details indicating the estimated cost involved therein; and

(c) by when the plan is likely to be approved by the Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES(SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) The Brahmaputra Board prepared Master Plan Part-I for main stem of river Brahmaputra and Part-II for Barak river and its tributaries, which were approved by Government of India in 1997. Under Master Plan Part-III, out of the identified 49 sub- basin Master Plans, Government of India has so far approved 34 Nos. and the balance sub-basin Master Plans are under various stages of preparation. The Master Plan suggests various measures for flood management. Important measures suggested are as under: Structural measures

1. Short term measures

(i) Construction of marginal embankment to prevent spilling of river water to countryside during flood, closing of gaps of embankments & anti-erosion works.

2. Medium term measures
(i) Construction of drainage channel and drainage improvement
(ii) River training works

3. Long term measures

(i) Construction of detention reservoirs/multipurpose dam projects in the upper reach of Brahmaputra and its important tributaries.

The outlays required for implementation of Master Plan Part-I is Rs. 1,22,944 crore and for Master Plan Part-II is Rs. 6,322 crore at 2000 price level. The Master Plans prepared by Brahmaputra Board and after approval by Government of India are sent to the concerned State Governments for implementation.